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31. (previously presented) The handheld recording and/or reproducing device according to Claim 37, wherein said case is formed in a cylindrical form.

32. (canceled)

33. (canceled)

34. (canceled)

35. (canceled)

36. (currently amended) A handheld recording and/or reproducing device, comprising:

a housing case having one end side opposite an other end side;

a manipulating unit configured to be arranged on a plane perpendicular to a longitudinal direction of said housing case at the one end side;

a strap attaching unit configured to be arranged at the one end side, wherein the strap attaching unit is at a predetermined position spaced from the manipulating unit in a direction of the other end side;

a jack configured to be arranged at the one end side, said jack having an opening arranged to receive a plug inserted from a direction of the one end side;

a storage medium configured to store digital data;

a reproducing unit;

a power supply unit configured to contain a power supply and to be arranged at the other end side of the housing case, wherein,